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RESOLUTION NO. 310-07

BY: **MARY GALINAS**

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE
BREAST CANCER PATIENT PROTECTION
ACT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the bipartisan Breast Cancer Patient Protection act would end the practice of "drive-through" mastectomies, where women are sometimes forced to leave the hospital sometimes just hours following their physically and emotionally difficult surgeries even if they and their doctors feel they are not ready to go home; and,

WHEREAS, this Act would ensure that any decision in favor of a shorter or longer hospital stay will be made by the patient and her doctor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council hereby supports the Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act and further encourage the passage of this Act so that women have the option of remaining in the hospital for up to 48 hours following a mastectomy to ensure their basic right to adequate treatment.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council be, and he hereby is, directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to Senators George V. Voinovich and Sherrod Brown, and Congressman Dennis Kucinich.

Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 4. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary due to upcoming hearings on this matter, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH
THE MAYOR: _____
MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO